

CERS Regulator User Group Notes and Action Items July 9, 2013

Action Items:

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 10th from 8:30am-10:00am. Please e-mail any agenda item suggestions to kriegel@sbcfire.org no more than one week prior to the next meeting.

Agenda for July 9, 2013

Approved/No change

Barbara Houghton opened the meeting

- 44 CUPA's represented on the call
- 3 CAL/EPA representatives

CERS/Electronic Reporting Update from Cal/EPA

Chris Allen presented various announcements and status information about CERS and electronic reporting directed toward the CERS regulator community. These comments were summarized into a 2 page summary that was [announced July 10 on the CRUG Listserv](#).

<http://cers.calepa.ca.gov/Documents/RegUserGroup/2013/07092013/CERSStatusUpdateJuly2013.pdf>

Recent Additions/Changes to CERS

Chris Allen highlighted a few portions from a new document prepared by Cal/EPA summarizing recent additions/changes in the various CERS web portal during January-June 2013. This document is relevant to both business and regulator users of CERS, and was [announced July 10 on the CRUG listserv](#).

<http://cers.calepa.ca.gov/Documents/RegUserGroup/2013/07092013/RecentAdditionsToCERSJuly2013.pdf>

Several questions were raised during these presentations:

Is it true there are plans for removing site maps reporting?

Dan Firth: No. There was a mistake in a past version of SB 483 that implied this, but Cal/EPA is not aware of any plans to removing Site Map reporting.

Has Cal/EPA given further thought to a request to mark a facility as a "Rural site" in CERS?

Chris/Dan: Only a few initial discussions have occurred on this request. It has been added as [CERS Enhancement Request #65](#).

What plans are there for converting the various document uploads in CERS to electronic forms?

Chris: Electronic data transfer between CERS and local data system requires a static and well-defined set of data fields, so any significant additions to CERS will involve regulator change to amend the Unified Program Data Dictionary in Title 27 (and other relevant regulators/statutes). Because of the slow pace of regulator change plus the technology adoption that would occur after such changes, the CERS community needs to begin now planning for what the next version of CERS (aka "CERS3") should include (or not include).

Kristen Riegel replaces Barbara Houghton as CRUG Chair

Kristen introduced herself to the group.

Kristen asked for feedback from the group on a proposal for the CRUG to have periodic face-to-face work sessions—probably 2/year. Possibly held at CUPA Conference and/or in regional meetings (North, South, Central?)

- 5 CUPA's voiced support for the face-to-face meetings
- San Joaquin voiced support for meeting at the CUPA Conference (no regional meetings).
- Kristen will follow-up with various people on possible approaches to CRUG workgroups.

CERS Q&A Session (Dan Firth and Chris Allen)

What is the status of adding hazard data to the CERS Chemical Library?

CAL/EPA is working with Washington University and we should have updates by fall.

Why does Regulator Portal's Facility Search Export To Excel downloads not include addresses for some facilities?

Regulator will send email to CERS Technical Team for possible bug.

Follow-up since meeting: Bug was found and fixed on July 10.

Will the Chemical Library include Proposition 65 data?

Cal/EPA is not supporting this data in the CERS Chemical Library presently. The Unified Program Data Dictionary does not include this data point, and Cal/EPA had concerns about both the appropriateness and technical/maintenance overhead of including such data in CERS.

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- Next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 10, 2013. May be cancelled if workshop meetings will occur soon after.
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Wrap Up/Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50am